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Claims 1-14 are pending with claims 1, 7, 8, and 10 being independent. Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-6. The Examiner has rejected claim 7 as anticipated by Brown, and has rejected claims 8-14 as anticipated by Hutchins in view of Brown. We first address the rejection over Hutchins in view of Brown.

Claims 8 and 10

Claims 8 and 10 are directed to a method of assigning a pre-filtering class to a word when adding a word to a speech recognition dictionary. As described at page 36, lines 3-7, once the phonetic spelling of a new word has been generated, the new

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